IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE OLIFF & BERRIDGE, PLC Attorney Docket No.: 117900 **Q.O.** Box 19928 Alexandria, Virginia 22320 Date: November 28, 2003 Telephone: (703) 836-6400 Facsimile: (703) 836-2787 MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL Customer Number: 25944 **RULE §1.53(b)** Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is the nonprovisional patent application COPPER ALLOY AND PRODUCING METHOD THEREFOR For (Title): Yasutaka SUGAWARA, Kazuhiko FUKAMACHI By (Inventors): Formal drawings (Figs. \_ sheets) are attached. for front page of Publication. Use Figure A Declaration and Power of Attorney is filed herewith. This application claims benefit of Provisional Application No. \_ (A Preliminary Amendment is attached to reflect this claim in the Specification if not already present.)

This patent application is assigned to NIKKO METAL MANUFACTURING CO., LTD. The executed Assignment is filed herewith. An Information Disclosure Statement is filed herewith. Entitlement to small entity status is hereby asserted. A Preliminary Amendment is filed herewith. Priority of foreign applications No. 2002-346974 filed November 29, 2002 in Japan and No. 2003-018701 filed January 28, 2003 in Japan are claimed (35 U.S.C. §119). A certified copy of the above corresponding foreign application(s) is filed herewith. This application is NOT to be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b). The undersigned attorney or agent hereby certifies that the invention disclosed in this application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication of applications 18 months after filing.

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